Comparison of the Top Ten Deficiencies National and Virginia Long Term Care

RANK	NATIONAL 2004	VIRGINIA 2004	COMMON THEMES IN VIRGINIA (2004)	VIRGINIA 2003
#1	F371. Store/prepare/ distribute food under sanitary conditions.	F309. Provide necessary care for highest practicable well-being.	Failure to follow MD orders (Medications – sliding scale insulin. Lab/x-ray)	F309. Provide necessary care for highest practicable well being.
#2	F309. Provide necessary care for highest practicable well-being.	F280. Develop/revise care plan.	Care plan not revised to reflect change in interventions.	F280. Develop/revise care plan.
#3	F281. Services meet professional standards of quality.	F514. Documentation.	Missing notes/information.	F314. Proper treatment to prevent/heal pressure ulcers.
#4	F323. Facility is free from accident hazards.	F157. Notification of rights and services.	Failure to notify MD following a change in resident condition.	F157. Notification of rights and services.
#5	F324. Supervision/devices to prevent accidents.	F324. Supervision/devices to prevent accidents.	Chair/bed alarms turned off or not working. No new interventions following repeated falls.	F278. Assessment accurately reflects resident status.
#6	F253. Housekeeping and maintenance services.	F371. Store/prepare/ distribute food under sanitary conditions.	Dirty pots/pans/utensils. Out dated food. Inadequate wash temperatures.	F314. Proper treatment to prevent/heal pressure ulcers.
#7	F441. Infection Control.	F314. Proper treatment to prevent/heal pressure ulcers.	Failure to adequately treat existing pressure ulcers.	F371. Store/prepare/distribute food under sanitary conditions.
#8	F279. Develop a comprehensive care plan.	F225. Staff treatment of residents.	Failure to notify state agency. Failure to investigate injury of unknown origin.	F324. Supervision/devices to prevent accidents.
#9	F241. Dignity	F281. Services meet professional standards of quality.	LPN pronouncing death. Failure to initiate CPR. Failure to accurately transcribe orders.	F329. Unnecessary drugs.
#10	F314. Proper treatment to prevent/heal pressure ulcers.	F278. Assessment accurately reflects resident status.	Inaccurate assessment.	F281. Professional standards.